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Column One
By David Courtney

THERE has been an atomic explosion at Eniwetok, in the Pacific. The U.S. authorities wanted to test the resistant properties of certain materials and constructional devices to the force of explosion; but reports in the British newspapers have said that the Eniwetok experiment was also intended to show what a new type of bomb could do, which is believed to be a big improvement upon anything ever detonated before. "If atomic bombs could win a war, America is now ready for victory," one writer says: she has several times the stockpile Russia can possibly have, as well as certain types, excluding the still uncertain hydrogen bombs, which are believed to be far superior in destructive content to anything now being made in Russia. Aside from the atomic bomb, both sides have perfected a group of mass-destroying weapons which had begun to make tentative appearance towards the end of the last world war.

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THERE is no need, therefore, to exaggerate in the terms and diagrams of the sensational press to realize that the next war will descend to horrors undreamed of in the last. If in that prospect can be seen any good at all, it is in the fact that responsible statesmen, and some responsible military leaders as well, will hesitate, longer and more seriously than statesmen and military leaders have hesitated in the past, before letting matters come to war, and to the awful consequences which neither they nor anyone else will be able to avoid if there should be war. Fundamentally, there lies the dispute between the U.S. Government and its allies on the one side, and General MacArthur and his backers on the other. To some degree, also, there lies the root of the dispute between the U.S. and its own allies, who fear that the peculiar circumstances pressing against the U.S. Government may force the policy of peace through strength beyond controllable limits.

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FOR the peoples of the world, upon whom the shadow of the next war falls, the conditions of uncertainty and disagreement within the contending blocs are hardly less alarming than the threats which each bloc sees in the policies of the other. It would probably be reckoned as an advantage of the peoples of the Communist bloc that the facts of disunity and insufficiency within that bloc are for the most part withheld from them; and that, to them, the issues are wholly simplified to the terms of a Capitalist and Imperialist threat. In the West, where disagreement and dissolution are plain to see, their effect is a confusion of the public mind and a widespread feeling that policy may be at the same time unable to prevent a drift to war and inadequate to the defensive needs in that event.

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THE MacArthur conflict is but one if the most conspicuous of the factors causing confusion and uncertainty. Cautious observers believe that it has brought about a situation in which the very extension of the Korean War, for the open advocacy of which General MacArthur was dismissed, has been brought nearer and the chances of a negotiated agreement with China made more remote. Arising out of this, Anglo-American differences have become accentuated in spite of an apparent British willingness to suport the strategic blockade of China; and the British public, more impressed by the Bevan-Wilson warnings than the Tory newspapers will allow, are beginning to feel that they should not be required to suffer hardship for a China war that seems to them unnecessary.

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PERSIA, the Middle East as a whole, and the Eastern Mediterranean, all are being shown as examples of Anglo-American disunity and of an American tendency to disregard the interests of its chief ally. To counter this, failure in Korea and the dismissal of MacArthur are being set before the American public as examples of Britain's sinister influence upon the fortunes of the anti-Communist world. The drift to atomic war is egged on by internal animosities and the suspicion grows that if war comes it may not be because it was unavoidable but because no one could rise above the confusion of pettiness to courageous and unequivocal leadership.

Tel Aviv, May 14.

Use of Atomic Artillery by U.S. Seen in Korea

By Jesse Zel Lurie

NEW YORK, Sunday.— Two independent statements which appeared in adjoining front page columns of this morning's "Herald Tribune" may be the key to the Administration's plans to end the Korean war. They may indicate that U.S. forces plan to end the Korean war by annihilating the Communist troops with atomic artillery.

One of the statements was made by the Secretary of Defence, General Marshall, testifying for the sixth straight day yesterday at the Senate hearing; the other by Representative Henry Jackson, Democrat, of Seattle, who had just returned home from the Eniwetok proving grounds.

General Marshall said in reply to a statement by a Senator that the American public was suspicious of a deal with Communist China, "I am becoming increasingly confident of the possibility of a satisfactory conclusion. Whether it will be a military triumph or not—I don't know how you would characterize it—it would be a triumphant demonstration, I think, of our military powers in proportion to the number of people engaged. But it would not include matters.. in relation to Formosa and the seating of Communist China in the U.N."

Mr. Jackson said "as a result of the most recent tests, the way is now paved for the tactical use of atomic weapons in war. We learned that troops follow up immediately over an area destroyed by an atomic blast with no fear of lingering radiation or other after-effects."

Planes Hit Out At Chinese Dumps

TOKYO, Sunday (UP). — The U.S. Air Force carried the war to the Communist army today in a bristling 600-plane attack on Communist supply lines and staging areas supporting the threat of a renewed Communist offensive. Meanwhile the Chinese continued to mass their armies by stealthy movements into attack positions northwest of Seoul and the Allied central corridor below Hwachon dam.

North Koreans on the eastern front showed no inclination today to come out and fight when Allied tanks and infantry patrols swarmed out across the ten-mile-wide no-man's-land.

North of Seoul, U.N. infantrymen made one solitary important contact with Chinese troops, while foot patrols and tank columns teamed up to surround and virtually destroy a Chinese Company north-northeast of Ijongbu, killing half of it and taking 34 prisoners. Chinese infantrymen were bristling with machine-guns, however, and an Allied staff officer said that this increase in Chinese firepower had been noted generally since the new spring offensive was launched on April 2.

In Eastern Korea, South Korean troops fought off Northern counter-attacks along the 35-mile mountain front north of the 38th Parallel, earning special commendation for their splendid fighting from the Allied ground forces Commander, Lt. General James van Fleet.

American Air Force marine and navy fighter bombers and light bombers hit Chinese staging areas just north of the 38th Parallel in Central and Western Korea today, in a concentrated offensive.

Council to Get U.K. Views on Defence

STRASBOURG, Sunday (AP). — A British Labour M.P., Mr. Glenvil Hall, is expected to set out Britain's official views on European defence when the Council of Europe's Consultative Assembly reconvenes tomorrow.

The defence debate was opened with an agreement among members that no resolution will be attempted now. All proposals are being sent to committee for a report by next autumn.

Mr. Hall is expected to argue that matters of defence are best handled through the North Atlantic Pact. He may support the General Affairs Committee which merely asks that the current talks in Paris on the formation of a European Army be opened to any member state who wishes to join.

Returnees May Get Back Assets

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Measures for the release of urban property and bank deposits to Arab refugees who returned legally to Israel were forecast today by Mr. Moshe Porat, Custodian of Absentees' Property. According to the Absentees' Property Law, Arabs were considered "absentees" when they left their homes, and their status was not changed upon their return. Hence, many refugees who returned legally to Israel were unable to reclaim their property. The reason for this was mainly that rural property has been developed in the past few years by groups of immigrants, ex-soldiers and others who obviously could not now be evicted.

The measures now contemplated apply only to urban property and bank accounts, with respect to which the same difficulties do not apply.

The Custodian also announced that a uniform scale of rents for dwellings in absentees' houses would be published this week. He said in 75 to 80 per cent of the cases there would be reductions.

'Key Money' Flats

Another measure being drafted is designed to stop the transfer of flats in absentees' houses for "key money." Dr. Porat said there had been 3,000 cases of transfers. Transfers until the recent Independence Day will be legalized, but future transfers will not be recognized.

Tenants of flats in absentees' houses will not receive exit visas from the Ministry of Immigration, nor will they be permitted to occupy new flats in public housing schemes unless their flats are turned over to the Custodian, Dr. Porat said. The illegal transfer of absentee flats will be made a criminal offence.

Dr. Porat said that 35 to 40 per cent of the Custodian's rent revenue went for repairs. He pointed out that a survey of 6,152 houses in Jaffa showed that only 658 were sound, 114 should be condemned and 5,380 needed repair. These figures excluded the Old City of Jaffa which is being demolished except for some buildings which are being preserved as antiques.

Of the balance of the revenue, 25 per cent went for taxes, 12 to 13 per cent for administrative expenses and 10 to 12 per cent for development of areas.

Groves Restored

The profits, Dr. Porat said, were used for the maintenance of agricultural property. He said that of the 90,000 dunams of citrus plantations abandoned by Arabs, 40,000 had been rehabilitated by the Custodian. These groves had earned £500,000 in foreign exchange last year and had recouped for the State all the foreign currency invested in their rehabilitation.

The Custodian also looked after 32,000 dunams of vineyards, 16,000 dunams of fruit trees, 70,000 dunams of olive trees, 1,000,000 dunams of unirrigated land and 30,000 dunams of irrigated farms. In addition 50,000 dunams in the Negev were ploughed.

The Custodian complained that the uninformed public was wont to blame his Department for all evils connected with absentees' property. He pointed out that his office was created only in August, 1948, after much of the looting had been done. The distribution of flats in abandoned Arab towns had been made by the Army and the Jewish Agency. The Custodian only later went around signing leases with the tenants, and this had already been done in 80 per cent of the cases.

Agency Refuses To Delay Congress

Despite threats by General Zionists and the Mizrahi that they will boycott the elections for the 23rd World Zionist Congress, the Jewish Agency Executive in Jerusalem yesterday rejected a proposal by Rabbi Z. Gold to delay the elections — and the Congress too—by two months, and prepare lists of eligible voters.

The General Zionists and the Mizrahi maintain that only such lists can secure proper elections. According to the conclusions reached by a special committee of the Jewish Agency, no such lists could be prepared till the polling which is to be held during the last week of May.

Following a message from the General Zionists and the Mizrahi, claiming that they would not participate in the elections unless the lists are prepared, Mr. Berl Locker, chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, in reply drew their attention to the conclusions of the special committee and assured them that all steps necessary will be taken to assure proper elections.

It is understood, that both the General Zionists and the Mizrahi consider elections to the Zionist Congress disadvantageous to their party prospects for the Knesset elections in July. The General Zionists feel that in the Congress elections they have no chance to get a proportion of the votes such as they hope to receive at the Knesset elections.

The Mizrahi, on the other hand, would like to have an agreement on the division of seats inside the Religious Bloc signed before the results of the Congress elections come in.

The Zionist Federation of France has objected to the holding of Congress elections without compiling a voters' list, it was learned yesterday. In a cable to the Jewish Agency and to the Congress Court of Honour they called the decision to hold elections "scandalous."

B.G. Talk Televised To New York Rally

NEW YORK, Sunday (INA). — Before a packed audience of 19,000 in Madison Square Garden today the Zionist Organization of America presented a colourful and dramatic pageant as well as a special televised address by Prime Minister Ben Gurion in celebration of the third anniversary of the establishment of Israel.

In a proclamation issued by Mr. Benjamin Browdy, President of the Z.O.A., he hailed the occasion as a "dramatic testimony to the capacity of that little nation to build in the face of overwhelming odds." Mr. Browdy emphasized the role of the Z.O.A. in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal and at the present time its concerted effort for the Independence Bond issue.

Mossadeq Fears Attempt on His Life by Fanatics

TEHERAN, Sunday. —Premier Mohammed Mossadeq told the Persian Majlis this morning that his life is being threatened by the fanatical Moslem organization, Fidayan Islam, which assassinated Premier Ali Razmara, and whose 27-year-old leader said here yesterday that there are "still others who must be pushed down the incline to hell."

The 69-year-old Persian Premier's voice quivered with emotion as he told the Majlis he would carry a gun to protect himself. Soon after, the ailing Premier fainted, and on recovering said he would seek the traditional sanctuary by remaining in the Majlis building.

Meanwhile, 1,000 workers were demonstrating outside the Majlis, demanding the release of 12 men arrested in a strikers' clash with the police three weeks ago. Banners warned watching police with the slogan "Hands off the workers," and there were no incidents.

At the same time, the Majlis finally elected its five representatives to the Oil Liquidation Committee, to take over the operations of the Anglo-Iranian Company.

The Premier's revelation of the assassination threat came with dramatic suddenness today. "I have been informed an attempt will be made on my life," he told the Majlis delegates. "I have told the Shah I have no security for my life, and will carry with me firearms which I had earlier put aside." He did not reveal in what form he had received the threat, but observers recalled yesterday's statement by the youthful head of Fidayan Islam, Seyed Navad Safavi, that there were 6,000 people who would immediately sacrifice their lives at his command, and that "anyone opposed to our ideals will be exterminated."

Twice Before

Dr. Mossadeq added that he felt his life would be safer if he remained inside the Majlis until the Government-appointed committee assumed full operation of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company, and urged that the work of the committee be completed quickly in order to eliminate the Company's influence on Iran.

In his stormy political career, Dr. Mossadeq has twice before revived the ancient Persian custom of seeking sanctuary in the Majlis chamber or in the Shah's palace. If he decides to carry out his resolve, he will find life fairly comfortable: there are beds, food can be prepared and he can easily establish his office there. However, there is no bath.

Yesterday, the Teheran evening newspaper "Keyhan" reported that Russian border guards had shot and wounded a Persian peasant near Sardab, and kidnapped another. The kidnapped man was later returned, the paper said, after intervention of the regional Persian commander.

(Reuter, UP)

U.S. for Greece, Turkey in Pact

By George Lichtheim, POST Correspondent

LONDON, Sunday. — Today's rash of rumours about the Mediterranean defence talks turns on a Washington report on the forthcoming inclusion of Turkey and Greece in the Atlantic Pact. This is now described as American policy, the British proposals for a separate Mediterranean pact having been turned down, largely it seems because the American Chiefs of Staff do not want to be bothered with the problems of the Arab states.

On top of this comes the suggestion that the chief operational posts in the Mediterranean are to go to the Americans, although the British may get the Supreme Command. There is to be a special command for an aircraft carrier task force and a French command linking France with North Africa. The French are described as being generally in favour of the American scheme, which includes Greece and Turkey, but eliminates the Arab states. Opposition to this proposal comes chiefly from London, though Whitehall is careful to make it appear that it is the Scandinavians who are objecting to the further extension of Atlantic Pact responsibilities.

French Objection

The unofficial reports now coming in on the Anglo-French talks in Paris, in which both sides were represented by officials specializing in Middle Eastern affairs, indicate that the French support the Americans largely from dislike of the continuing Anglo-Arab tie up. Apart from complaining about the activities of British agents in Tangiers and Morocco, who are allegedly lending support to Arab propagandists, they have shown themselves particularly annoyed over the "Greater Syria" campaign.

But their main objection is to the projected Eastern Mediterranean Pact, which is still favoured by Whitehall and supported by influential press organs including the normally level headed "Economist."

They protest that the inclusion of the Arab states would make the defence scheme no longer "Atlantic."

The British rejoin that this applies also to Turkey and that the best solution is a separate Mediterranean pact. But the American Air Force is now reported to want Turkey in the Atlantic Organization, while nobody in Washington shows similar interest in the Arabs.

It therefore looks as though the American viewpoint will prevail. The possibility that in exchange Britain will receive a free hand politically in the Eastern Mediterranean continues to worry the French.

Israel is believed to have been mentioned only as proof of the Franco-American contention that the Arabs cannot be fitted in. The Foreign Office was represented at the talks by the Assistant Undersecretary, Mr. Bowker, and by Mr. Hayter, the British Minister in Paris. Their French opposites included M. Binoche, head of the Quay D'Orsay's Near East Division.

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Israel, Jordan Hold Friendly, Informal M.A.C. Meeting

Agreement was reached on a number of border problems at yesterday's informal meeting of the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission which was held in "a friendly atmosphere" and was marked by "mutual understanding," it was officially announced yesterday. The meeting, which took place at Mandelbaum Gate in Jerusalem, was under the chairmanship of Major Loriaux.

It was agreed that inhabitants on either side of the lines may cross the border to use water sources near the boundary. Water sources in urban areas are not included in this agreement. Incidents which occurred in the Batir area recently were caused by the use of water supplies across the border.

Arrangements were also made to recover and return stolen property in a number of specific cases. The case of the flock of 117 abandoned goats found by Israelis near the Jordan border in the Jerusalem area was not discussed at the meeting.

The Jordan delegate reported on measures taken by his government against Jordanians found guilty of stealing in Israel. He indicated the names of the infiltrators and the incidents in which they were involved, as well as their punishment.

This was the first time that Jordan has made such a report, despite the fact that it was agreed several times previously that they should be forthcoming.

Accidental Crossing

Jordan accepted the Israel explanation that the planes, which crossed the lines during the Independence Day celebration in Jerusalem last week, did so accidently. It is understood that Jordan will not lodge a formal complaint.

The Israel delegate also pointed out that the Beduin claimed by Jordan to have expelled from Israel crossed the lines of their own accord, since grass had become scarce following the recent drought. They obviously hoped to find better grazing grounds in Jordan, the Israel delegate explained. No definite conclusions were reached in regard to a general understanding on this problem.

An informal meeting of the M.A.C., to be followed by a formal one, is scheduled next Thursday.

Jordan Election Lists Ready Soon

Election lists will be out in Jordan at the end of this month, and the elections will be held within three months. Jordan Premier Samir Pasha Rifa'i announced at a press conference in Amman yesterday, according to Radio Ramallah.

Meanwhile, the Premier said, the budget, rejected by Parliament just before it was dissolved by royal decree, will be implemented immediately under a temporary law. The Cabinet, he added, has also ratified aviation and trade agreements with Egypt.

Tomorrow Jordan will celebrate "Revival Day," commemorating the Arab revolt under King Hussein Ibn Ali. Following a brief reception in the early morning, King Abdullah will take off for a state visit to Ankara, expected to last over a week.

Syria and Lebanon Put off Agreement

DAMASCUS, Sunday (AP). — A joint Syrian-Lebanese communique this evening said the meeting between the two governments to formulate an economic agreement between the two countries has been postponed until next week.

The two parties have decided on the principle of free exchange of agricultural and livestock products and set all the necessary bases for transport between the two countries, the communique said.

A special commission is meeting to fix the bases for the exchange of industrial products and is preparing lists of those industrial items which will be exempted from custom duties or allowed reduced rates.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

The strike of private bakeries in the villages which began yesterday was ended at midnight last night following a meeting of Bakers' Union representatives and the Government's Public Committee investigating the bakers' demands. The sympathy strike scheduled for today in Haifa and Tel Aviv was called off at the same time. It was understood that delivery of bread might be slightly delayed this morning in the areas affected by the walk-out, but that normal deliveries would be resumed later in the day.

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Riley Bringing U.N. Proposals For Settlement

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent

HAKIRYA, Sunday. — General Riley's return to this area, expected towards the end of this week, is awaited here with some impatience. It is understood that he is bringing proposals, to be submitted both in Tel Aviv and Damascus, and there is genuine desire here to cooperate in any plan which may, at the same time ensure the security of Israel's territory and enable this country to proceed unmolested with what it regards as essential civil development.

Although it is the Government's intention to cooperate fully in implementing the Security Council's cease-fire order, the view here is that by ignoring the problem of the presence of military or para-military forces in the demilitarized zone, the Security Council has overlooked a main threat to the effectiveness of its own resolution. It is pointed out that if the Security Council feels unable to order the withdrawal of unauthorized armed forces from the zone, who, then, is in a position to order such withdrawal and ensure that the order is carried out?

The demilitarized zone was intended to be something in the nature of a cordon sanitaire along the border.

A situation like the present, in which, on the one hand, the zone is infested with irregular forces encouraged and armed from across the border, and, on the other, Israel is forbidden by the Armistice provisions from taking any action of her own to clear the armed forces from an area which has become a focus of military activity directed against her and designed to give Syria a footing in territory where she has no business to be, and has never legally been, obviously is highly dangerous. It was expressly created to answer Syrian apprehensions, and has now, paradoxically, been expressly restored by the Syrians to a condition of grave danger. It is hoped here that General Riley's proposals will take this fact into account and will provide a means for removing what is equally a threat to the Council's resolution and to the integrity of Israel territory.

TIBERIAS, Sunday. — Four bulldozers were at work today in the Hulch area in the section between the Khouri grove and the Banot Ya'acov bridge. There were no incidents, and operations on the reclamation project are progressing satisfactorily.

Arabs Meet On Huleh Today

The Political Committee of the Arab League will meet in Damascus today, at Syria's request, to discuss the situation in the Huleh. Top-level representatives of the member nations, including Foreign Ministers and a Deputy Premier, will attend.

An Arab News Agency report, however, levels considerable criticism at Jordan for not accepting the general importance ascribed by the other nations to the meeting, and only sending its Minister to Beirut.

Man Slain By Marauders

REHOVOT, Sunday. — Moshe Goldstein, 20, of Misgav Am in Galilee, a fitter, was murdered by marauders at midnight last night. His body, stabbed many times, was found by police this morning in a grove.

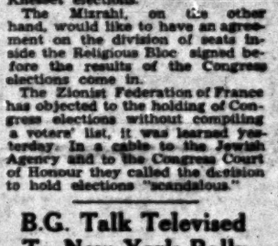
Members of a kibbutz heard noises from their cowshed, and upon investigation found five cows missing. One was found just outside the yard surrounding the shed, while the tracks of the four others, and of five men wearing rubber shoes, led away from the area. The police were summoned, and at daybreak started following the tracks which led them to the discovery of the murdered man. An Arab-made knife was clasped in his hand. Nearby they found a Sten-gun magazine with 20 rounds in it, and 140 mils in Jordan currency.

It is believed that Goldstein, returning home shortly before midnight, heard suspicious sounds and went to investigate. He apparently wrestled with one of the Arabs, and managed to snatch a dagger from him. It is thought that he was dragged some distance from the scene of the encounter to where he was found, as a long trail of blood was found.

Ben Gurion Visits Einstein

By Ted R. Lurie

PRINCETON, Sunday. — Characteristically, Mr. Ben Gurion's first act on leaving tumultuous New York en route to Philadelphia today was to call on Professor Einstein at his home in this university town and discuss philosophy with him. After a warm handclasp the two men sat in front of the small white house, their wispy hair blowing in the breeze, while cameras cranked and clicked. Then they retired to the scientist's study, where they were closeted alone for an hour and a half, twice as long as the scheduled visit, discussing relativity, freedom, Greek philosophy and Spinoza, the Prime Minister later told reporters.



Einstein — Ben Gurion

Mr. Ben Gurion told reporters that he brought greetings from President Weizmann, "who also is a great scientist as well as statesman." This was the third meeting between Mr. Ben Gurion and Professor Einstein: the first took place in Palestine in 1922, the second in Berlin in 1930.

The Prime Minister left New York this morning escorted by motorcycle police, who were succeeded by New Jersey police at the Jersey end of the Holland tunnel.

New York's warm-hearted ovation was concluded at midnight last night in the theatre district, when many thousands blocked Times Square as the party emerged from the theatre where they attended the performance of "The King and I," starring Gertrude Lawrence. In four days New York has become very Israel conscious, and Mr. Ben Gurion's name is on everyone's lips. Pictures of all his movements appear in the daily press. The Prime Minister is showing unusual patience with photographers who popped up everywhere.

Mr. Ben Gurion's four days here have been crowded with activity both in the bond drive and at political meetings, including the important restatement of Israel's position on Korea at a U.N. luncheon on Friday. In view of the great debate here on America's war policy, a special significance may be attached to Mr. Ben Gurion's address to the more than 30 heads of delegations on the U.N.'s courageous stand in resisting aggression and at the same time preventing the conflict from spreading.

The luncheon was an impressive manifestation of respect for Israel felt by the members of the U.N. Mr. Ben Gurion was welcomed by the current President of the Security Council, M. Selim Sarper, of Turkey, who toasted the health and prosperity of Israel.

Both M. Sarper and Mr. Ben Gurion stressed Turkey's good relations with the Arab states and Israel Turkey's main interest in the U.N. is the maintenance of friendly relations with the free nations of the world and she applied the principle first to the promoting of close ties with her neighbours, "reconciling differences in the area in the best interests of our region as well as the peace of the world," M. Sharper told the Prime Minister.

The two public functions of a political nature so far, the address on Tuesday to the National Press Club and Friday's U.N. luncheon were important events in the maturing of Israel's international relations, and Mr. Ben Gurion was most impressive in his dignified and forceful appearance.

Thursday night's Madison Square Garden rally, however, received a somewhat mixed reaction. While Mr. Eban's poetic address and the Premier's spontaneous oratory — he departed completely from his prepared text — drew well-deserved acclaim, and the playing of Jascha Heifetz was inspired, the pageant staged by Leon Leidoff of Radio City was slightly ridiculous. There were two thrilling moments when the American Naval colour guard saluted the Israel Navy and when Mr. Henry Montor called the roll of the 48 States as their flags paraded, announcing the total of $35m. in bond sales in the first ten days since the opening of the drive on May 1.

PHILADELPHIA, Sunday (AP).— Mr. Ben Gurion today presented Israel's official colours to the City of Philadelphia at ceremonies at Independence Hall, site of the signing of the American Declaration of Independence.

Presenting the blue and white flag to City Solicitor Frank Truscott, Mr. Ben Gurion said he was proud to present the flag to the city where the "founders of the Declaration of Independence set a standard for true democracy the world over.

SILVER MADE HONORARY CITIZEN OF TEL AVIV

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, the Zionist leader in the U.S., was last night made a freeman of Tel Aviv at a ceremony at the Tel Aviv Museum. Mayor I. Rokach presented the American visitor with a scroll.

The decision to make the award had been taken by vote on April 30, with only one Mapam member abstaining.

LUNCHEON
at the
KING DAVID HOTEL

Social & Personal

The President and Mrs. Weizmann gave a garden party yesterday afternoon at the Residence in Rehovot to celebrate Independence Day. Mrs. Weizmann, assisted by the Chief of Protocol and the President's Staff, received the guests, of whom many were later greeted by the President and the Acting Prime Minister. About 1,500 guests were entertained in the grounds, including members of the Government, Jewish Agency leaders, Knesset members, the Diplomatic and Consular Corps, and communal and party leaders from all over the country.

President Weizmann has received Independence Day greetings from the President of Yugoslavia, Dr. Ivan Ribar. The Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Moshe Sharett, has received greetings from the Paraguayan Foreign Minister, Sr. Bernardo Campos.

At the Foreign Minister's dinner at the Sharon Hotel in Herzlia on Saturday night, M. Pavel I. Yershov, the Soviet Minister, replied to the greetings of Mr. Moshe Sharett, in place of the Doyen of the Diplomatic Corps, Mr. Monnett B. Davis, who was indisposed and did not attend.

Dr. A.H. Silver dined on Friday at the home of Dr. A. Granott, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Jewish National Fund in Jerusalem. Dr. Silver, a member of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University, was the guest to tea on Friday afternoon of the President of the University, Professor S. Brodetsky. Among those present were members of the University's academic staff. Mr. W.W. Simpson, of England, an active supporter of the Hebrew University, was the guest of Professor Brodetsky on Saturday.

Dr. Arnoldo Felmanas, Chairman of the United Zionist Association of Sao Paulo, Brazil, and one of the leaders of the United Israel Appeal there, has arrived on a visit to Israel, accompanied by his wife. Dr. Felmanas is also Chairman of the Economic Research Council of Brazil.

Mrs. Roubach, Chairman of the Actions Committee of the Jewish National Fund in France, has arrived in Israel on a visit.

Dr. H. Milwidsky, Senior Staff Surgeon of the Hadassah-Hebrew University Hospital, returned last week to Jerusalem from the U.S. where he worked in the field of thoracic and cardio-vascular surgery.

Miss Ida Chagall, daughter of the painter Marc Chagall, has arrived in Israel as the guest of the Association of Museums, in connection with the forthcoming opening of a retrospective exhibit of her father's work.

Wizo, Jerusalem, Tourist Department, gave a reception in honour of Mrs. Cohen, President of Australian Wizo, Miss London, Treasurer, and other distinguished members of world Wizo Federations, at the home of the Chairlady, Mrs. R. Gilad, on Saturday, May 12.

Mr. N. Jackson and Mr. Y. Barshira will represent the Histadrut at the forthcoming session of the International Labour Office in June.

The Jerusalem branch of the Association of University Women will meet at 8 tonight at Bet Shalom. Mr. D. Auster will speak on the "Regional Conference of the U.N." held in Istanbul recently.

Two new branches of the Bank Leumi LeIsrael B.M. have been added to the five already existing in Tel Aviv. They are situated at 109 Rehov Dizengoff and 17 Rehov Ben Yehuda.

Medals Given To J.N.F. Leaders

The first two "Medals of Distinction" established to mark the Jubilee of the Jewish National Fund were awarded to Mr. A. Kamini, Chairman of the National Committee of the J.N.F. in Israel, and to Mrs. Emilia Fliman, Chairman of J.N.F. Committee in Chile, by Mr. A. Granott, Chairman of the Board of Directors, at a meeting of the Board in Jerusalem last week.

During Mr. Kamini's 30-year-term as Chairman of the Committee, the receipts of the fund in Israel had been increased from IL.1,000 to IL.600,000 per year, it was revealed.

Mrs. Fliman, who is at present on a visit to Israel, was awarded the medal for her sustained efforts to extend the activities of the J.N.F. in Chile.

Bronze Age Cemetery Found Near Kalandia

A cemetery believed to date back to the Bronze age was discovered during digging operations near Kalandia airfield, "A-Diffaa" reports.

Two diamonds, two big urns and two dishes in good condition were found, the report added.

The Hebrew National
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TEL AVIV: Habimah
Tomorrow at 8.30 p.m.
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Successful Bond Issue Is U.S. Response to Ben Gurion

Editorials in three papers yesterday commented on the enthusiastic welcome accorded to Mr. Ben Gurion in the U.S. — "Ha'aretz" (Independent), "Davar" (Histadrut) and "Hatzofeh" (Mizrahi).

"Ha'aretz" suggests that Mr. Ben Gurion's arrival emphasized American Jewry's newfound sense of equality with other ethnic groups in the U.S. The successful beginning of the bond issue was in response to the visit of Mr. Ben Gurion, whom, the article states, American Jews rightly regard as the personified symbol of Israel's independence.

Will Leave Traces

Discussing the warmth of U.S. Jewry's welcome, "Davar" states that the American Jew's longing for Jewish independence and liberty is not yet ripe for active translation into emigration to Israel. Mr. Ben Gurion's visit, however, will leave profound traces on American Jewry and its youth for years. The emotions of national pride evoked by Mr. Ben Gurion may yet result in a new renaissance movement in the U.S. which will in turn yield improved prospects for the development of Israel.

"Hatzofeh" points out that the five million Jews of America are Israel's main support, who would one day occupy a central position in immigration and reconstruction. Care must be taken, the paper urges, not to dissipate their interest by narrow-sighted economic, cultural and religious policies. The wishes of these millions of potential citizens must be considered in determining policy here.

The Syrian dispute is discussed by "Haboker" (General Zionist) and "Hako!" (Agudat Israel). "Haboker" contrasts Israel's repeated declarations of readiness to comply with the U.N. Observers' proposal with Syria's delaying tactics. The article refers to the Lebanon's reply to suggestions of regional defence pacts, the first condition being that pressure be brought to bear on Israel in the matter of the Arab refugees. The paper recalls that despite promises of loyalty at the outbreak of the world war, which the Arab States made in return for anti-Zionist policy, Arabs supported the Axis. This example should be borne in mind by the powers interested in maintaining stability and security in the Middle East.

"Hakol" regards the U.N. ceasefire in the north as a political failure, but suggests that it should be used to find a solution to the dispute. The Israel reprisal bombing, the paper claims, came as a shock to the Syrians, who had relied on Israel to practise restraint in view of her economic endeavours in the U.S. This shock may have made Syria more amenable to efforts to settle the dispute.

Israel's Role At Unesco Reviewed

This nation's role at UNESCO was reviewed at the first meeting of the Israel UNESCO Council held at the offices of the Ministry of Education and Culture in Jerusalem last week.

The meeting was opened by the Chairman of the Council, Mr. David Remez, Minister of Education and Culture, who outlined the history and development of UNESCO. The greetings of the Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Moshe Sharett, were conveyed to the Council by Mr. M.S. Comay, Director of the International Insitutions Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, who said that although small militarily and economically in comparison with the Great Powers, Israel would be able to play an honourable role in the cultural and scientific fields.

Elected to Council

Professor S. Samburski, Director of the Scientific Council, outlined Israel's participation in UNESCO from the date of its acceptance into the Organization on September 16, 1949. At the fifth session of UNESCO, held in Florence in June 1950, Israel was elected to the Council for Arid Regions, and a resolution declaring UNESCO support for the "Conquest of the Desert" exhibition to be held in Jerusalem at the beginning of next year, was passed on the initiative of the Israel delegates, he said. UNESCO was now working on a new pact proposed by an Israel expert, Dr. R. Cohen, dealing with the rights of writers and freedom of opinion, Prof. Samburski added.

The meeting was closed with a recommendation by the Minister of Education and Culture, Mr. David Remez, that the Council meet again within a month to elect an Actions Committee to direct the operations of the Council.

150,000 Voters Still Need Identity Cards

More than 150,000 persons eligible to participate in the elections for the Second Knesset have not yet taken out identity cards, it is announced in Jerusalem.

Cards will be issued till July 10, 21 days before the balloting. It was hoped that the elimination of the 250 pruta issuance fee would encourage those who have failed to register to do so. (The ballot will be denied to those not possessing identity cards.)

Almost 850,000 persons will be eligible to vote, it was learned. A total of 507,000 identity cards were issued before the elections for the first Knesset, and 232,000 more between then and April 1. These figures, however, include persons between 16 and 18 years of age, who are not entitled to vote.

Wholesale Prices Up One Point

The index of wholesale prices was 388 in March, against 387 in February and 382 in January; it was 383 in March, 1950. The increase is due, according to the Central Bureau of Statistics, to higher prices of vegetables, especially tomatoes.

MEDAL. — Mr. Jacob Blaustein, President of the American Jewish Committee, has been named winner of the Gottheil Medal for 1950, awarded by "Zeta Beta Tau," the largest and oldest Jewish college fraternity in the U.S.

Water Heater Uses Rays of Sun

Patent rights are being sought for a water heater which utilizes the sun's rays rather than fuel, it was learned recently.

Made from galvanized tin and two sheets of glass, the heater is a square metre in size and supplies about 80 litres of water at 60 degrees Centigrade on sunny days and at between 40 and 50 degrees otherwise. The apparatus is ineffective during the 30 to 40 days of rainy weather annually. The heat is retained up to five hours after sunset.

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6.30 a.m. Service. **6.35** Exercises. **6.45** Musical Clock (R). **7.15** Melodies. **7.45** Oriental Music (R). **8.30** Close Down.

10.00 a.m. Morning Concert (R). **10.30** Music of the People (R). **11.00** Concert Hall: Symphony No. 2 (Alfano); Violin Concerto (Paganini-Kreisler); "Colombia" (Zandonai). **12.00 N.** Break for Music (R). **12.30** Programme for Hospitals. **1.00** Soldiers' Programme. **1.45** Housewives' Corner. **2.15** Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. **4.30** Oriental Music: E. Aharon. **4.35** Vocal Recital: Erna Martel. **5.00** Variety (R). **5.30** Child's Corner. **5.45** Interlude. **5.50** Agricultural Corner. **6.15** "Echoes of this Week"; Talk by D. Sher. **6.30** Children's Hour. **7.00** "From Worker to Worker." Talk. **7.45** Bible Reading. **8.00** Soldiers' Programme. **8.45** Recital: Gideon Roehr & Avigdor Reis: Sonata (Brahms). **9.15** "Please Miss Parker"; by M. Obad. **10.00** Israel Songs (R). **10.30** Recital: Sascha Parnes (Violin), Moshe Lustig (Piano) & Ethel Zussman (Soprano): Works by Debussy, Ravel & Faure. **11.15** Close Down.

Immigrants' Hour (33.3 M.): 7.00 p.m.: Yiddish; 7.30 p.m. Ladino; 7.40 p.m. French.

Kol Zion Lagola (33.3 M.): 12.15 M. Newsreel. 12.30 Interview with Michael Comay. 12.45 "Hebrew for Beginners:" A. Rosen.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (19.91 and 24.92 M.): 7.30 News. 7.40 News Talk. 7.45 Questions & Answers.

ARMY PROGRAMMES (220, 225 & 44.6 M.): 6.30 p.m. Programme Announcements. 6.33 Classical Request Programme. 7.30 Today's Event. 7.35 Weekly Interview by D. Rivlin. 8.00 Soldiers' Programme. 8.30 News. 8.40 Interlude. 8.45 Army Quiz. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

VOICE OF AMERICA: Hebrew Programme: 9-9.30 p.m. (13.85, 13.86, 17.01 & 19.07 M. from U.S.A.; 19.63 & 25.36 from Tangiers).

Tenth Anniversary

TO mark its tenth anniversary Jerusalem's Studio presents the Italian production "The Genius and the Nightingale," which concerns the life and loves of the 19th century opera prima donna Maria Malibran. The composer Rossini makes his appearance as a famous gourmet, Bellini also finds himself in love with Maria. The picture has an authentic atmosphere: all the splendour and misery of an artist's life and all the fabulous hysteria revolving around a prima donna.

Night Club Film

"THE Stork Club" (Semadar) is the Jerusalem premiere of a 1946 musical about an eccentric millionaire (Barry Fitzgerald) who is rescued from death by a hat check girl, dynamic Betty Hutton. He repays her well, lives in a tramp's disguise in her apartment, and arouses the jealousy of her band-leader boy friend, Don Defore. The background of the film is the famous New York night club-bearing the name of the film. In the picture are Robert Benchley, Andy Russell, Mikhail Rasumny and Bill Goodwin.

FRANGO

Jerusalem Cinemas

At 3.30, 7, 9 p.m.

EDEN: Annie Get Your Gun.
EDISON: Sands of Iwo Jima.
ORION: A Lonely Place.
SEMADAR: The Stork Club (7 & 9 p.m.).
STUDIO: The Genius & the Nightingale.
ZION: Dear Wife.

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At the Cinema

Hapoel Win Second Meet in Yugoslavia

"SANDS of Iwo Jima" (Edison, Jerusalem) is excellent for its realistic and human interpretation of one of the most bloody battles of the Pacific war. The fight the U.S. Marines put up in attacking the Japanese on the island of Iwo Jima, their jumping from landing craft on to the sands literally into the jaws of death, and then the pangs of death is accurately recorded and true to type. There are deeply-moving moments: when an 18-year-old is killed with a book "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay" in his pocket; how another dies with the *Shma Yisrael* on his lips. The lead is competently handled by John Wayne.

Hapoel avenged their first meeting defeat at the hands of a Yugoslav athletic set-up during their second engagement at Sarajevo recently. They won the tournament by 208 points to 200. The Hapoel women made important contributions to the Israel victory with firsts in all events.

The meeting produced three new Israel records, two from men and one from a woman. David Tubak returned the exceptionally good time of 10.8 seconds to win the 100 metres race. Dov Silberberg covered 13.26 metres in the hop, step and jump for the second new "high" and Nahama Shoshani created a new long jump record with a leap of 5.20 metres.

Among the other results were: Men: Amos Kreiser, second in the 800 metres in 2:05.0; Bornstein, second in the 1,500 metres in 4:25.9. The Hapoel men's teams came second in both relay races, timing 45.6 seconds in the 4 x 100 metres, and 3:35.6 in the 4 x 400 metres.

Two Firsts

Kublanitz gained a men's first when he won the long jump with 6.58 metres. Caspi was second in the Pole Jump with 2.91 metres; Edelstein was placed twice, third in the shotput with 12.92 metres, and second in the Javelin Throw with 35.19 metres. Polonski also gained a first place with his 41.30 metre Hammer Throw.

Among the women Ruth Hershler won the 100 metres in 13.2 seconds. Ahuva Krivitski was first in the high jump with 1.40 metres. Ria Bronstein also gained a first in the shotput with 10.17 metres and Atara Polonski, in the discus throw with 31.15 metres. The women Hapoel's team also came first in the 4 x 100 metres relay timing 53.8 seconds. (Delayed.)

Local Soccer Results

Friendly Games

P. T. Hapoel	5	Nathanya Hap.	2
T. A.Mac.	4	Haifa Hapoel	1
Haifa Mac	2	Nathanya Mac	1
Balfouria Hap.	2	Israel Hapoel	1

Northern League

Kiryat H. Hap.	4	Nahariya Hap.	1

Youth League

Haifa Mac.	6	H'fa Port Hap.	1
Dror Hapoel	1	H'fa Hap.	2
Even Yeh. Hap.	3	Ev. Yeh. Mac.	1

Tennis League

T A. Mac.	8	Mac. Tzafon	1

South African Batting Practice

The South African touring cricket team used their mid-week game against Cambridge University, at Cambridge, which was washed out by rain and ended in a draw, to gain some useful batting practice. They had been prevented from practising because of the spell of cold weather which greeted them on their first engagements during their tour.

The game against the University brought the first century of the tour and the highest total thus far, when Eric Rowan knocked up 104 not out of their total of 283 runs for four wickets, in reply to the home side's first innings total of 188. Fullerton, who hit up 72, made a stand of 116 with Rowan, and 20-year-old McClane helped him later on, whilst amassing 51 runs himself. The game ended with Rowan at the wicket with Van Reneveld, who made 40 runs without losing his wicket.

The scores were: Cambridge University, 188. South Africa, 283 for 4. The Tourists started their three-day game against the Welsh County side, Glamorganshire, at Glamorgan on Saturday.

A.K.

England Beat Argentina

The English National eleven defeated Argentina by two goals to one in a Festival of Britain international in England during last week. The game had been eagerly awaited by soccer fans all over the world in view of the poor showing by England during the World Soccer Championships in Brazil late last year, which were carried by Uruguay, who defeated Argentina in the final.

W. Germany Accepted For Olympic Games

West Germany was unanimously admitted to the Olympic Games on Tuesday and subsequently ordered to reach an Olympic agreement with East Germany.

The application was handled during the annual meeting of the International Olympic Committee in Vienna, at which both Israel and the U.S.S.R. were admitted to membership, as already reported.

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Deposits Reached IL.174m. in Feb.

Total deposits in banks and credit cooperatives amounted to IL.174.4m. in February, compared with IL.168.9m. in January. Demand deposits in banks accounted for IL.132.4m. (IL.127.8m.), in cooperatives for IL.21.4m. (IL.19.1m.); time deposits were almost unchanged with IL.14.7m. in banks and IL.5.8m. in credit cooperatives.

The increase in deposits enabled banks to increase credit operations. Advances and bills discounted, including Treasury bills, amounted to IL.140.7m. in February, as against IL.136.4m. in January.

J'lem Electric Sales

A total of 2,861,008 kilowatt hours were sold by the Jerusalem Electric Corporation during March, 1951.

Benelux Calls Down

Three-minute telephone calls to Belgium have been reduced to IL.3.384; to Holland IL.3.528; and to Luxembourg, to IL.3.300.

SHIPS IN HAIFA PORT ON SUNDAY

Buyuk Sakiz, Tur., Cement. **Kari**, Nor., Wooden Logs. **Heron II**, Gr., Gen. Cargo, Cement. **Michael**, Gr., Dura. **Hellenic Chrysoula**, Pan., Gen. Cargo. **Popis**, Gr., Wood. **Bumtas**, Tur., Loading Export. **Hadar**, Is., Gen. Cargo. **Verax**, It., Cement. **Nazar**, Tur., Gen. Cargo. **Kotka**, Fin., Bagged Cargo. **Aghios Nicolaos**, Gr., Wood. **Anunciada**, Swi., Wheat. **Angelica**, It., Wood. **Yaffo**, Is., Gen. Cargo. **Galilah**, Is., Being Repaired **Subasi**, Tur., Wood. **Eti**, Tur. **Miriam**, Is., Being Repaired **Fayyez**, Tur., Dura. **San Michele**, It., Salvaged Iron. **Marchetto**, It., Wood.

SHIPS EXPECTED

13. **Karamemet**, Wood. **Venerator**, Wood. **Dalsland**, Gen. Cargo. **Paper**, **Kartaltepe**, Cotton Seeds. 14.5 **Exermont**, Gen. Cargo, Mail. 15.5 **Expediter**, Gen. Cargo, Mail. **Cheliacampanella**, Wood. **Nurfan**, Gen. Cargo, Cement. **Plehanov**, Wood, Gen. Cargo.

Where to Go

JERUSALEM

9-1; 3.6: New acquisitions from Germany and France, including works and books illustrated by French artists. Exhibit of the Month: Magnasco Painting; Bezalel Museum.
10-1: 4-7: Paintings & Drawings by Jerusalem Artists; Artists' House.

TEL AVIV

10-4: Retrospective Exhibition Albert Marquet; Recent works by Kanaha; Tel Aviv Museum.
8.30 p.m.: "Tartuffe;" Chamber Theatre; Mograbi Hall.

HAIFA

9 a.m.-8.30 p.m.: Theological and Scientific Library — Central Synagogue Bldg., Rehov Gilad.
10-1; 4-6: Municipal Museum, 2 Hassan Shukri Street.
10 a.m.-9 p.m.: Touring Stamp Exhibition; Beth Maccabi, Rehov Herzl.

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Pop. 49-49 (IL.10)	99½	100½
ditto (IL.30)	99½	100½
Bk. Leumi Le'Israel		
"A" Ord. Sh.	180	—
3% Nat. Loan 1948/53 (IL.10)	138½	139½
(large)	130½	131½
A.F.B. Invest		
4% Debs. 50/70	113½	113½
4% Debs. 51/71	113½	—
4% Debs. 60/73	111½	112½
4½% Pref. Shares	134½	135½
Gen. Mortg. Bk.		
4% Debs. 48/63	93½	94½
4% Debs. 49/64	91½	92½
4% Debs. 58/66	91½	92½
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6% Pref. Sh.	113½	114½
Ord. Sh.	118	119
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4½% Pref. Sh. reg.	69½	69½
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4% 40/64	87½	88½
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Nathanya	72	19	—	25
Hakirya	51	19	29	30
Lydda Airport	44	16	32	33
Jerusalem	30	20	26	27

FORECAST: Fair at first, becoming partly cloudy with a renewal of khamsinic conditions.

*A) Humidity at 2 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maxim. temp. expected today.

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1,500 immigrants from Rumania are due in the s.s. Transilvania today.

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Letters have been received by the Tel Aviv Municipality for Otto Dunkel and Davis Gadaj and may be collected at the Municipal Secretariat.

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Rehov Hayarkon between Rehov Nave Zion and Rehov Hayarden will be closed to vehicular traffic from tomorrow until further notice.

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Three representatives from Israel will be among the delegates from 50 nations taking part in an International Publicity Convention to open in London in July.

Water Short in J'lem' Ice, Milk, Affected

A shortage of water, ice and milk hit Jerusalem during the past few days.

The water shortage began last Friday after the Jerusalem Municipality warned that the flow would be cut for three or four days so that repairs could be made. In reply to inquiries, the Municipal water supply authorlites gave various reasons ranging from a "break-down at Kfar Uriah" to "repairs in the pipeline necessitating the emptying of the pipe."

It is understood that repairs have not yet been completed, and that the flow cannot yet be restored. The authorities hope, however, that there will be no serious shortage, as there are reserves in the city's reservoirs.

No Water, No Ice

The scarcity of ice in the city over the weekend was attributed, among other things, to the shortage of water; but ice manufacturers also complained that they were not getting sufficient ammonia. Jerusalem ice factories produce, under normal conditions, 60 tons of ice a day, and output has not kept pace with the increase of population.

A new ice factory, for which most of the equipment is already in Jerusalem, is to open shortly on the arrival of building materials from America. The new plant will increase the ice output in Jerusalem by from 40 to 60 per cent.

The acute shortage of milk on Friday was due to the lack of ice. Much of the milk went sour and was used to make *lebenia* and cheese.

Haifa Port Ships 3.7 m. Cases Citrus

HAIFA, Sunday. — A total of **3,750,000** cases of citrus passed through Haifa port during the six-month export season which ended last week. Grapefruit accounted for 612,000 cases, and lemons for 11,700.

Britain was the biggest customer and Czechoslovakia, with 25 cases, the smallest. The citrus was shipped to 16 countries.

Mapam Council To Meet May 31

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The Mapam Council will meet on May 31, the Party Secretariat has decided. This decision was taken over the objections of the Ahdut Ha'avoda faction, which wanted the Council to meet before the elections to the Zionist Congress, which are due to be held on May 30.

Strike 'Unjustified,' Gov't Declares

The strike of private bakers in villages called today was declared without prior warning to the Government, and was unjustified, the Ministry of Agriculture stated last night.

The Ministry will make every effort to provide bread, and supplies of matzot will be distributed to the shops, the announcement said.

The Ministry had notified bakers in the settlements that it was prepared to adjust the price of bread to that prevailing in the towns in two instalments, the announcement added.

When it became apparent, however, that "other bakers" were demanding a higher price and their employees were asking increased wages, the Ministry of Agriculture appointed a public committee to investigate the whole question and to report back with its recommendations, the announcement continued.

In these circumstances, the Ministry claimed, there was no logical reason to continue to deal separately with the claims of bakers in the settlements outside the scope of the public committee.

Representatives of Tel Aviv and Haifa bakers tonight met the Government committee set up to investigate the demands of the bakers. The Union claims that in many cases the expenses of village bakers are higher than in the main towns owing to higher transport costs of flour and fuel.

Cigarettes Five Prutot Dearer

Locally-manufactured Virginia cigarettes will cost five prutot more a packet starting today. The price rise follows increases in the wholesale purchase price of Virginia tobacco leaves and in production costs, it was announced last night. The last increase was made in June, 1950.

Turkish cigarettes will not be affected. The new prices are listed in an advertisement elsewhere in these columns.

Turn In Used Cigarette Packets

Collection of used cigarette packets is to begin in certain areas of Tel Aviv on Tuesday, it was announced on Friday. The collection will be made by lorries of the Tel Aviv Municipality, and will be restricted for the time being to the principal wholesalers and retailers in the centre of the city.

Purchasers will be requested to return a used packet when buying a new one. If the initial experiment is successful, it will be extended to other parts of the country, the announcement stated.

In making the announcement, the Ministry of Trade and Industry said that 1,000 kilos of empty cartons was sufficient to manufacture 750 kilos of cardboard.

Histadrut to Probe Dan Bus Strike

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The Central Committee of the Histadrut Executive today requested the Tel Aviv Labour Council to take action against the strike committee responsible for the three-hour stoppage of work by the Dan bus cooperative here last Tuesday.

The strike was not authorized by the local Labour Council.

Agency Asks Gov't Backing for Loan

Government backing for a IL.1m. Jewish Agency loan will be discussed at this morning's meeting of the Knesset Finance Committee in Jerusalem. The money is needed for absorption of immigrants.

Other items on the agenda are approval of the regulations governing rentals in abandoned property, the immigrant absorption budget and the allocation of the special increment to the April-September 1951 budget.

Judge Rules Out Evidence of 1881

TEL AVIV, Sunday (ITIM). — The hearing of witnesses in the "Kol Ha'am" libel trial in the District Court here came to a close today when Judge S. Ginossar ruled against a request that further witnesses be called.

The defence wanted these witnesses to testify on events 70 years ago leading up to Russian Revolution, and on the circumstances surrounding Israel's failure to capture the Old City of Jerusalem. Judge Ginossar held that there could be no direct testimony of events which happened 70 years ago, and that the question of Jerusalem was irrelevant to the present case. "Kol Ha'am" is accused of libelling the Prime Minister by calling him a "traitor to the nation" and a "tool" of the U.S. Summing up will begin on May 20.

Weissfish Trial Begins

The first hearing in the trial of "Leibele" Weissfish was held before the President of the Jerusalem District Court, Judge Halevy, yesterday.

At the request of Dr. R. Weyl, advocate for the accused, the indictment was divided into two parts, one charging Weissfish with failure to enlist, and the other with leaving the country without an exit visa and for trading with the enemy.

Deputy District Attorney S. Kwart prosecuted.

6 Weeks for Throwing Scare Bomb in Hall

TEL AVIV, Sunday (ITIM). — For throwing a scare bomb in the Orion cinema during a matinee performance two months ago, Haim Yerushalmi, 18, of Tel Aviv, was sentenced to six weeks in prison by the Magistrate, Mr. B. Giladi, here today.

A prison sentence was imposed, the Magistrate said, even though this was a first offence, since the accused had shown a complete lack of responsibility and might have caused a disaster in the hall, which was crowded with children at the time.

U.S. Tightens Rules For Issuing Visas

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The U.S. State Department has issued instructions under which all applications for visas to the U.S., submitted by persons born in countries now "under the influence of the Soviet Union," must be referred to Washington for clearance, it is authoratively learned here.

It is felt here that as many Israel residents come under this category, considerable delays may be experienced by many local residents applying for visas. Persons travelling to the U.S. on Government business may not be affected by the new regulations, it is believed.

Israel a Dependency Of U.S.—Says Moscow

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter). — The recent journeys by Israel Government leaders to the U.S. were taken to "make Israel a dependency of the U.S.," Mikhail Marini, "Pravda's" diplomatic commentator, claimed today.

A TASS message received in London said he added that "the General Staff of the Israel Army goes so far as to hold its secret session in the presence of representatives of the American Intelligence Department."

Basle Jews Want No Grant to "Left"

GENEVA, Sunday (INA). — A grant made by the Federation of Swiss Jewish Communities to Hashomer Hatzair should be reconsidered in view of its "extremist political ideology and links with Mapam in Israel, whose leftist tendencies are well known," a Basle delegation urged at the annual conference of the Federation which is being held at Vevey.

A resolution was adopted denouncing the anti-Jewish measures in Iraq and it was also decided to raise $100,000 this year for refugee aid in Switzerland.

Body Found Near Tracks

REHOVOT, Sunday. — The body of a man identified by relatives as Yosef Ben Rahamim Attiya, 25, of Be'er Ya'acov, was discovered near the railway line between Be'er Ya'acov and Lydda this morning. No marks were found on the body.

A post mortem is to be carried out at the Municipal Hospital in Tel Aviv.

BOY DROWNS IN JORDAN

TIBERIAS, Sunday. — Rami Sroukin, 13, a Youth Aliyah member of Ashdot Ya'acov was drowned in the Jordan near Degania Alef at noon yesterday. His body was transferred to the Schweitzer hospital here.

Light Bulbs for All By End of Month

NATHANYA, Sunday. — Sufficient light bulbs to satisfy local demand will begin appearing on the market at the end of this month, Mr. J. Schellekens, Director of the recently-completed Philips electric bulb factory, told the press here today. The factory's official opening this month coincides with the 60th anniversary celebration of the parent firm in Eindhoven, Holland.

The concern expects to produce about two million bulbs a year, an amount equalling Israel's present consumption. Following consultations with the Ministry of Trade, the company decided to build up a stockpile of more than 100,000 bulbs before starting local sales. Initial shortages which tend to lead to a black market will thus be avoided, it is hoped.

As a further control measure, all purchasers will be required to turn in their old bulbs, while those moving into a new building will have to bring a letter of confirmation from the Electric Corporation. At present the shortage of electricity has forced the factory to go on a night schedule several times weekly.

Surplus for Export

Depending on its local success, Philips hopes to double its present production in a year or two, and export the surplus. The parent firm exports about 85 per cent of its production. Philips invested a total of £85,000 in its Israel enterprise, and expects that it will require about £30,000 a year for raw materials. All the raw materials are produced by the firm in Holland.

The Government has been buying most of the output up to now, and several thousand bulbs were bought for Independence Day. The customary 1,000-hour guarantee is given with each bulb. The factory includes 22 workers and its staff includes several experts sent from Holland.

The Philips concern hopes also to produce radios in Israel in a few years' time.

Mr. Oved Ben Ami, the Mayor of Nathanya, expressed the city's best wishes to Philips on the occasion of their anniversary, and complimented Mr. Schellekens on "never taking no for an answer" during his negotiations for the establishment of the factory.

The Philips factory expects to make 150,000 light bulbs a month. Here are a few of those in the process of being manufactured.

Stunts and Cabarets At Haifa Tech Ball

HAIFA, Sunday. — A parody of a modern art exhibit, a beauty contest, a "luna park," cabarets in Japanese and Cuban style, a "tunnel of horrors" with photoelectric stunts and fireworks will be the chief attractions of the annual Students Ball to be held at the Hebrew Institute of Technology on May 23. One thousand students are now at work to turn the 45-dunam area of the Technion and Reali School yards into a great amusement centre with large cafes, dance floors and night clubs for several thousand merrymakers.

The revenue of this year's ball will be devoted to the fund for a Students Centre and to the publication of expensive textbooks and technological literature at prices within the reach of needy students.

U.S. Newsmen Feted

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The party of U.S. journalists, who have been touring Israel for the past 10 days as the guests of El Al, today visited the Histadrut building here where they were received by the Secretary-General, Mr. M. Namir, and Mr. Reuven Barstein, of the Executive Committee.

The newsmen, who are returning to New York tonight, were yesterday the guests at a meeting arranged by the Israel-America Friendship League.

63 New Doctors In Israel

The first group of 63 medical students of the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School passed their final examinations at the end of March, it was announced recently. A total of 67 students sat for the examinations which lasted over a period of about two months in Jerusalem.

The students, all of whom had previously studied medicine abroad but had been prevented from taking their diplomas, worked and studied at selected hospitals in various parts of the country under a special arrangement with the Medical Faculty of the Hebrew University.

17 Israel Students Pass London Matric

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Seventeen Israelis have passed London matriculation examinations held in Tel Aviv in January, the British Council has announced.

The results are as follows:

First division: Georg Engel, Menachem Fischler, Samuel Klein, Michael Schweiger, and Fu'ad Amin Jarjoura.

Second Division: Amos Peter Brunner, Shlomo Gabbay, Dov Gerschowsky, Ernst Herzig, Jacob Hildesheimer, Benjamin Sauer, Ida Lichtenstein, and Juliette Khouri.

Completed Matriculation: Eliezer Iskowitz, Wolf Guggenheim, Benjamin Tannebolz, and Miriam Fischer.

Arabs Fly Flags For Independence Day

HADERA, Sunday. — The Arab village of Bakaa el Gharbiye, in the "Little Triangle" was decorated with Israel flags today when the village held its Independence Day celebrations.

Schoolchildren from nearby Jatt village presented Aloof E. Moor, Military Governor of the Arab border areas, with bouquets of flowers and welcomed him to the village.

The teacher of the school, speaking in Hebrew, praised the Compulsory Education Law which was changing Arab life and quoted the Arab proverb, "who opens a school, closes a prison."

A local Arab labourer appealed for improved work conditions and asked for the establishment of more cooperative enterprises. Among those present at the ceremony was Mr. Avraham Shapira, veteran resident of Petah Tikva.

Yugoslav Leaders At Israel Reception

A festive banquet in celebration of Independence Day, which was attended by the Vice President of Yugoslavia, Mr. M. Pjade, and by the Yugoslav Foreign Minister, Mr. E. Kardelj, was given in Belgrade on Friday by the Israel Minister, Dr. M. Yishai.

Greetings were sent by Marshall Tito, and among those present were the Speaker of the Yugoslav Parliament, members of the Government, army leaders, and other prominent personalities.

A special reception for the Jewish communities in Yugoslavia was held yesterday.

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Blind MP Ready For Talk with Russians

LONDON, Sunday (UP). — Sir Ian Fraser, M.P., blind leader of British ex-servicemen, offered today to go to Russia and confer with Soviet ex-servicemen in an effort to preserve world peace.

Sir Ian told the annual convention of the British Legion, in his presidential address, that they should do all possible to prevent war.

Aid to Backward Areas Proposed

NEW YORK, Sunday (UP). — A five-man panel of economists has recommended the setting up of an International Development Authority which would eventually parcel out $3,000 million a year to help underdeveloped nations to gear themselves for economic expansion.

The plan, proposed in a 108-page report prepared at the request of the U.N. Economic and Social Council, would hinge largely, however, on the extent of American participation, its authors said.

The analysis, containing an unusually frank reference to the need for radical social changes in many areas, made the following recommendations.

1. That the International Bank boost its annual loans to under-developed countries to $1,000 million within five years — about tripling its present rate;

2. That the U.N. create an Economic Commission for Africa to enable the Governments and peoples of that continent to survey constantly their development; and

3. That the U.N. explore the possibilities of setting up an international finance corporation to make equity investments in underdeveloped countries.

Nehru Curtails Freedom of Speech

NEW DELHI, Sunday (Reuter). — Prime Minister Nehru yesterday introduced a bill in the Indian Parliament seeking to limit the fundamental right of speech and expression as embodied in the Constitution, and to validate land reform acts challenged in Indian courts. The bill is to amend and amplify certain provisions of the Constitution which came into force 16 months ago.

One of the major amendments empowers the state to curtail freedom of speech and expression "in the interests of the security of the state and of friendly relations with foreign states." It also provides for prevention of "incitement to offence."

According to an official explanation, the bill has been brought forward after some Indian High Courts have held that the right to freedom of speech and expression was so comprehensive as not to render a person culpable even if he advocated murder and other crimes of violence.

COLLISION. — Six people were seriously injured and a number of others cut and bruised yesterday when two trains collided in heavy fog between Thorwil and Ettingen, near Basle.

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Greek C.-in-C. Urges Security Pact

ATHENS, Sunday (Reuter). — Greece needs to take part in a collective security pact "so that we will not be alone," Field Marshal Alexander Papagos, Chief of the Greek General Staff, said yesterday.

"Our political and military effort must consist in assuring to our country the maximum means of defence," he said, according to the Athens News Agency.

"The work of our political leaders consists on the one hand of obtaining Greek participation in a collective security pact so that we shall be officially informed that we are not alone. On the other hand it consists in drawing still closer the relations of Greece with Turkey, with whom we are linked by existing two-party agreements, and with Yugoslavia, with whom we recently re-established diplomatic relations."

Lebanon Keeps Military Control Along Border

The lifting of the emergency proclaimed in Lebanon on May 15, 1948, was announced by the Lebanon Premier, Haj Hussein el Aweini, in Beirut on Friday, according to an ANA report.

The state of emergency still remains in force along the Israel border, however, and Lebanese forces there are to be increased considerably, the Premier is reported to have said.

Germans Rush Back Into Uniform

BONN, Sunday (Reuter). — Nearly three times as many applications have been received for enrolment in the West German frontier protection force as there are vacancies, a Government official said here yesterday.

In four weeks there have been 29,000 volunteers for the gendarmerie, which is restricted to 10,000 men.

The Gendarmerie, West Germany's first centrally-controlled armed force, will be motorized and supplied with carbines, tommy guns, machine guns and pistols. Its task will be to supervise frontier control and guard against "subversive infiltration" especially from the Soviet zone.

Hong Kong Stops Cars for China

HONG KONG, Sunday (Reuter). — The Hong Kong government, acting under emergency regulations, today detained 29 military type Dodge lorries imported from India. According to an authoritative source this action was taken in the belief that the lorries were intended for re-export to China.

The Government also prohibited the re-export of about 30 other Dodge lorries which arrived on the same shipment. They were brought to Hong Kong in the British ship "Breconshire."

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Cables in Brief

ARRESTS. — Hungarian Foreign Minister Gyula Kallay, former Minister of the Interior Sandor Rold, and Ferenc Donath, a political adviser, have all been arrested, according to a Budapest report published in the "Sunday Observer." The report mentions that all three are close supporters of the Hungarian Deputy Prime Minister Matyas Rakosi.

STONING. — Two candidates of the rightwing Burma Democratic Party were stoned and injured by unknown persons during a Rangoon election meeting yesterday.

PANAMA. — The new government of Panama has been recognized by Guatemala, which becomes the first country to recognize the regime of President Arosemena, established in the middle of last week.

Iraq, Lebanon Trade Free Port Rights

BAGHDAD, Delayed (UP). — The Lebanon will grant to Iraq free zone facilities in the port of Beirut, and later in the port of Tripoli, under the Iraq-Lebanon Economic Agreement just ratified by the Iraqi Parliament. Similar privileges will be granted to the Lebanon at the port of Basrah, as soon as the zone has been defined.

The pact is to last for one year from the date of ratification, and will automatically remain in force in subsequent years unless three months notice of annulment is given by either side. Iraq hopes to extend the same arrangements to Syria, India and Pakistan. A mission led by the former Finance Minister, Sayi Ali Mumtaz, has just returned from negotiations in Delhi and Karachi.

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BLACK MARKET

EITHER punishment or a medal for good citizenship appear as the alternatives recommended for Mr. Rokach in letters from two readers yesterday on the recent statement by the Mayor of Tel Aviv that he had authorized the purchase of black market building materials for a new hospital.

Made at a Press conference and given considerable publicity at the time, Mr. Rokach's statement could not fail to arouse vehement reactions, so much so that he has since felt compelled to retract his first remarks. But it was precisely his subsequent explanation which makes a closer examination imperative. On the face of it, it would appear from Mr. Rokach's own admission that the whole business of the black market has now passed from the stage of being explained away to the rather unexpected stage of justification. This development is, of course, the logical and psychological outcome of a tendency, only too noticeable in certain quarters, of not only attacking deficiencies in the existing supply system — a legitimate form of constructive criticism — but of exaggerating these deficiencies and exploiting resultant hardship until all sense of proportion has gone overboard. There is but a small step from this easy and attractive way of showing disapprobation to a more or less outspoken acceptance and support of black market transactions.

It is in this atmosphere and on this borderline between morals and economics that the Mayor of Tel Aviv made his candid statement, without realizing apparently that the issue at stake has a legal aspect to it. To have lost sight of this aspect was a grave mistake, for the question was bound to be asked whether the Mayor of a great city may take an action contrary to the laws of the country: and if the Mayor may, then why not everyone else? And the next question would be why the authorities in charge did not take the necessary steps when the Mayor publicy admitted connection with the black market, steps which would have immediately been taken in the case of offences on a much smaller scale. The question whether there are mitigating circumstances is obviously one for the Courts of Law and not for the Prosecution, whose sole duty would seem to be to institute proceedings, irrespective of the position of the offender or his motives.

One might even go further and ask why, in the absence of action on the part of the police, Mr. Rokach did not consider it his civic duty to volunteer the information in his possession which, one ventures to assume, might in this particular case have brought to justice much more important black marketeers than those who habitually appear before the tribunals. This reticence on the part of Mr. Rokach will strike the ordinary citizen as all the more surprising because, as a Member of the Knesset, one would expect him to be particularly jealous of the law.

These observations, needless to say, are not intended as a reflection on Mr. Rokach's integrity as a private individual, for this is beyond any doubt. But his mayoral action is not one to be taken lightly. The impact of this incident on the civic and moral standards of the country is not negligible. It is the duty of the authorities to investigate, and the citizen has a right to the full facts.

Marshall to Seek Billions of Dollars

WASHINGTON, Sunday (AP) — The Secretary of Defence, Mr. George Marshall, plans to ask Congress for several billion dollars — possibly $6,000,000,000—$8,000,000,000 to use on a gigantic military building programme.

A spokesman for the House Armed Services Committee said today it is expected the Defence Department will send up this request shortly, and that hearings will begin about the end of this month.

The official described the programme as the largest proposal of its kind in U.S. history. He said it included the building of new installations as well as the expansion of existing installations.

WORLD'S INDUSTRY OUTSTRIPS FARM PRODUCTS

U.K. Crisis Affects All of West

By Jon Kimche

LONDON. — WITHIN one week of its public outbreak, the crisis of the British Labour Government became a crisis of confidence in the whole Western World. Whatever the future may have in store for Aneurin Bevan and the Labour Government, there can now be no doubt that the resignations from the Cabinet have served to focus attention on the most critical aspect of Western defence. Not only London, but the whole of Western Europe, the Middle East—and above all, Washington — have in a matter of days become aware of the acuteness of the crisis.

This so-called raw materials crisis has three distinct sides: one which affects Western Europe primarily; a second which concerns the Middle East in the first place; and a third which is a specifically American problem.

The basic cause of the whole problem has nothing to do with rearmament. It arises from the uneven rate of development of the world's industrial resources compared with agriculture and mineral mining. The Deputy Administrator of ECA, Mr. Richard M. Bissell, Jr., has just published a report which illustrates this development.

U.S. Output

The output of U.S. industries in June 1950 was 76 per cent above the output in 1937. Western Europe's industrial output at the same time was 27 per cent above its pre-war output. Thus the Western World was using 50 per cent more raw materials last year than in the last year before the war. Metal supply to the Western World had so far kept pace — but only just. But Mr. Bissell voices "grave concern" about the future. The reserves of low cost iron ore in the U.S. have been almost depleted, he says. New sources of supply are being sought in Labrador and Venezuela.

At the same time the output of agriculture in the Western World outside the United States has not increased over its pre-war output. Thus when the Korean war broke out there was already a dangerous gap between the rate of industrial growth of the West and the capacity of its raw material supply to keep pace. Into this dangerous unbalance, says the Bissell report, there has now been injected the military budgets of the Western World involving an annual expenditure of some $70 billion. So far only a small portion of this expenditure has been actually set into circulation by the U.S.; the European programmes have not really begun. And already the Western World faces an acute shortage of essential raw materials.

What will happen when the American programme and those of the NATO allies get into their stride? The British economy was the first of the Western European countries to switch to rearmament. And immediately the bubble burst. A clash arose between the immediate needs of British — and French — rearmament programmes and the American intention to stockpile essential raw materials.

The case of two basic materials — copper and zinc — was typical. In both cases current production just about covered current needs. Copper production — when the Korean war broke out — was running at an annual rate of 2,100,000 tons and consumption was 50,000 tons less. But then the U.S. stockpiling programme came onto the scene with a buying programme of 250,000 tons at any price.

As the U.S. had been taking already rather more than half the Western output, this meant that the remaining Western countries found that their supplies were to be cut by 25 per cent at a time when they needed more, not less. The zinc story was the same.

M.E. Oil Substitute

But a specifically Middle East aspect is now also coming to the fore. The reports of the British Coal Board and of the Allied High Commission in Germany are warning the European governments that it is increasingly becoming more difficult to main coal production to match the industrial expansion. Neither electricity nor gasification is considered an effective substitute. The only hope seen at the moment — so long as atomic energy cannot offer any help — is in the increase of the oil ratio in Europe's fuel economy.

At present Europe derives only about 10 per cent of its energy from oil. The suggestion now is to increase vastly the switch-over to fuel oil in particular and to increase Middle East production and imports to Europe accordingly.

Anxiety over Persia

It needs no emphasis therefore to state the wider concern in Europe which the Persian conflict with the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company is causing. It could not have come at a more unfortunate moment, particularly as it has added to the differences in outlook between London and Washington.

The position can be summed up at the moment, after the Washington oil talks, by saying that Washington believes that the Persians must be appeased by further concessions while the British hold that the Persian bluff must be called.

Persia has become in fact part of the raw materials crisis, part of the avalanche started by the Bevan resignation. For the moment therefore this raw materials crisis is paramount. It has eclipsed all other major issues.

Fishing at Kinneret

Photo by Schlesinger

By Leo Heiman

EXCEPT for the racket of heavy machine-guns and mortar shells, Lake Kinneret is much the same as it was in Biblical times.

As a matter of fact, I was inclined to doubt whether the fishing boat we were on wasn't the same one those fishermen had used. With no offence intended towards the fishing fleet of one of the lakeside settlements we were visiting, I still have to admit that the boat looked rather rickety to me and I didn't place too much confidence in the puff-puffing outboard motor either.

Anyway, we were doing our steady three knots per hour looking for schools of fish, which, ever since ancient times, have concentrated in the eastern part of the lake, hugging the north-eastern shore. The local fishermen claim the fish are simply pro-Syrian and that's why they go there. But, to be exact, not all the fish are pro-Syrian. There are some pro-Israel schools of fish as well, congregating in the north-western part of the lake. Our kibbutz guide explained that although all of the lake belongs to Israel, the Syrians always obstructed our fishing in the north-eastern part, sniping from their fortified positions in the hills, and now their firing made fishing in that area virtually impossible. Just then, as if to accentuate his words, some tracer bullets whined overhead and the two other guests in the boat ducked instinctively.

Wet Shoes

"Looking for something you lost down there?" one of the fishermen inquired politely. The two gentlemen flushed and, as if by common agreement, both of them declared vehemently that they were only making sure their shoes weren't wet. Some more tracers passed overhead and, since they were addressed to us, our boat did an about-face and made for the western shore with a speed of which I never thought this floating antique capable.

"We have to get out of mortar range," shouted our guide, exacting an extra burst of power from the coughing outboard motor. That at least is something the ancient fishermen didn't have on the Kinneret, I thought listening to the hysterical pitch of the engine, while the venerable planks and old packing-case boards of which the boat seemed to be constructed trembled furiously, held together more by tradition and solidarity than by anything else.

Finally, the fisherman eased down on the accelerating lever and our boat came to a trembling halt in front of a buoy which marked a net left there on the previous evening. The net seemed to be heavy and we helped our hosts to drag it aboard. Hundreds of silvery fish glistened in the sun as they piled up on the boat's bottom.

A fine water spray lifted over the boat and our guide smiled.

"War or no war," he said, "the country needs fish to eat."

Champagne and the General

By Nora Beloff

PARIS — RECENTLY I paid my first visit to Champagne, the corner of eastern France, which French patriots associate with Joan of Arc, and the rest of the world with the high-quality drink labelled in its name.

The "Union of the French People" (R.P.F. — Rassemblement du Peuple Français) had invited the press to attend a rally at Reims, to be addressed by their leader, General Charles De Gaulle. He was to speak in the Cathedral Square which seemed appropriate for a man who likes to think of himself as Joan of Arc's chosen successor, Saviour of France in modern clothes.

Improved Oratory

It was two and a half years since I had heard the General and his oratorical presence has certainly improved. He can now express his familiar disdain for French politicians without raising his voice to that high-pitched squeal which used to strain the microphones and embarrass his admirers. He can also make imperious gestures, one arm at a time, instead of jerking both arms upward and downward like a puppet — a habit which used to make him a favourite target for Paris mimics.

The people of Reims turned up in their Sunday clothes and heard De Gaulle send his sympathies to his fellow general, Douglas MacArthur, who had just lost his job. They heard him declaiming against Britain and America for behaving to France "as masters instead of allies" and noted his appeal for their votes at the next general election.

No Enthusiasm

They applauded him politely but without frenzy. Perhaps his name no longer commands the passionate ardour of liberation days, or perhaps it was just the dispassionate qualities of Reims itself. Curiously this city, which made its fortune on such an exhilarating drink as champagne, is famous in France for its phlegm. When the leading French comedian, Maurice Chevalier, wants to test a new act he brings it first to Reims. If the public does not take more than an hour and a half to warm up he feels safe: Paris can be counted on to react in just one tenth of the time.

There were other surprises too. Saint Joan is the Cathedral's patron Saint, so you might expect it to be the headquarters of French Anglophobia. Yet in the whole vast edifice, there is only one memorial built into the walls and it is a plaque for British soldiers, casualties of World War I.

Reims is set in a broad plain that sweeps away to low hills where the champagne grapes grow. The flat land is arable and cultivated by small independent farmers who are devout Catholics and steadily conservative. Yet a couple of miles away, where the hills begin, the political complexion alters. In the vineyards fortunes are quickly made and lost — made in a year when the grapes are lush; lost, down to the last penny, in a few minutes of hailstorm. Local politics mirrors the unsteadiness: you find extremists of every brand including Communists as changeable and erratic as in the big cities.

Even though it was Sunday afternoon, men in their working clothes were out on the vineyard slopes, stooping over their plants, laboriously tying each young shoot to its wooden crutch, and watching that the plants do not outgrow the regulation height imposed to preserve the quality of the grapes and so protect the champagne's international reputation.

Tanks and Corks

A champagne merchant whose family has been in the business for a couple of hundred years revealed to us some of the trade secrets. The translucid purity of champagne is acquired by draining the grape juice through a gluey substance only to be found in the entrails of certain deep-sea fish.

The price of corks has jumped by twenty per cent recently because tanks now being built under the Western rearmament programme use cork as a protective covering. For safety's sake, the corks must be buried several millimetres deeper into bottles intended for shipment to Australia or New Zealand than they would be in bottles which are to mature in France.

On the crest of the steepest hill with a view over the whole restricted area where true champagne can be made, there is a squat stone church. It is surrounded by a cemetery and adorned by a fourteenth century statue; a Madonna which seemed even more beautiful and more alive than the famous Saints and angels carved on the Reims Cathedral below. Local people still tell how the old church was bombarded and destroyed in the first war and how the statue alone miraculously survived.

I returned on the Paris Express that evening with a medley of impressions: the gesticulating General, the splendour of the Cathedral, the aroma of champagne, green fields, brown vineyards, spring sunshine, and most alluring of all, the compassionate and mysterious smile of the Madonna on the hill; modelled no doubt after some local village beauty of six hundred years ago.

KEEPING POSTED

WHAT with Memorial Day, Independence Day, a brief interval for work on Friday—there was nothing fresh in the shops after the holiday, and queues were long and unprofitable—the Sabbath, and the fierce, all-enveloping *hamsin*, Jerusalem looked pretty jaded by yesterday, and as though it had not been to bed for a week. But that is nothing. One of the pundits has already worked out that next year In-

dependence Day will fall on April 30, and so merge almost imperceptibly into May Day which in Israel of course begins on the eve of the day before, like any Jewish festival. A difficulty that was a good deal noticed in the city during the prolonged holiday was that there is nowhere to sit down except in the few small parks, and on kerbstones much too low for comfort. If some lover of Jerusalem would give us a few dozen benches he would earn the thanks of many tired pilgrims.

In the meantime people do the best they can, and apparently some hundreds found the soft earth of the garden on King George Avenue more grateful a bed last Wednesday than the bare streets. They were comfortable enough, in rows on the flowerbeds and among the bushes, and they even rather enjoyed the excitement when some student nurses came off night-duty at the nearby Babies' Home, stumbled over the sleepers in the half-dark, and fled in panic.

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A FRIEND has sent us the following contribution for our post office department, which again does not reflect too well on the accuracy of our German-language contemporary "Emeth - Wahrheit" (which should be "truth" in any language). In their issue of May 3 a good deal of space is devoted to the fact that the great German actor Bassermann was prevented from coming to Israel for the purpose of giving a number of theatrical performances in German, a form of official interference with a purely non-official matter which The Jerusalem Post *has always opposed; "Postmen" still maintain that while German is the last language they want to hear for pleasure as opposed to necessity, that is a choice an adult should be permitted to make for himself, and they don't propose to join in the ban until somebody wants to introduce German schools in this country. However this may be, "Emeth" claims to have discovered that Mr. Bassermann is not only locked out by the entertainment censorship, but also discriminated against by the letter censor. They claim that a letter from the actor, posted in Zurich on April 12, and addressed to their editorial offices, was unreasonably delayed by censorship, and not delivered in Israel until April 26. Where was this letter, they ask, a little tragically, seeing it should only take about five days to arrive? Our friend now points out that there is also a very clear reproduction of the typed letter, and that Bassermann himself dated the letter April 19. We hope that many of their readers will have noticed this little slip before they allowed themselves to be unduly impressed by the last lines of the article: (all this is)....the suppression of free thought and interference with the free expression of opinion on the fascist-communist pattern."*

MEDINAT Israel is not always so slow to welcome strangers as in the unfortunate Bassermann case. One of the figures that caught every eye in the Parade this year was the tall drum-major who

showed such an insouciant dexterity with his baton and caused many to ask how the Army had managed to have one of its men so perfect himself in this traditional art. The answer is simple enough—the drum major is a Scot, with the obligatory ginger moustaches, who remained behind after the British evacuation, to make his home here. He has done more for the Army than balance a baton, but that is the job in which he is still irreplaceable, and probably unchallenged.

This week's contributors are: A. Balla, Jerusalem, and Ch. Hersberg, Tel Aviv.

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ARNONA DIRECTORATE.

Readers' Letters

POOR CONDITIONS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — The ma'abara at Kfar Ono was established about five months ago and now has 3,000 new immigrants. Conditions are still very poor. There is no doctor to look after sick people; there is only one cooperative store and one has to queue for two hours to buy food. I arrived with my family two months ago and we still have no points card for food or clothing. For the past month there has been no milk for small babies and there is no school for grown children. The water is not sufficient for the entire ma'bara.

Over a month ago we discussed these problems with the person in charge and he promised to apply to the Jewish Agency for assistance. So far there has been no change.

On May 5, there was a meeting at Kfar Ono and a Knesset member was the main speaker. After his speech we pointed out our difficulties and explained that we want to live as human beings. He promised to do something to remedy our conditions. Yet so far there has been no change.

Yours, etc.,
K. M. LEVY

Ma'bara Kfar Ono, May 6.

TYPEWRITER RIBBONS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — As all users of typewriters are unfortunately aware, no typewriter ribbons are to be had in the shops and no one knows when local production may be resumed. Possibly they can be obtained, like practically any other essential commodity, in the black market at some fantastic price.

At all events, finding myself faced recently with an interruption in my professional work due to lack of a typewriter ribbon, I sent an S.O.S. to a relative in the U.S.A. Two ribbons, costing 95 cents each, were promptly despatched by airmail. To my surprise, I was obliged to pay 355 mils to the customs for the two ribbons. Is it not enough that our government does not provide commodities on which one's livelihood depends, but must it penalize us for its own shortcomings?

Yours etc.
GOUGED

Jerusalem, May 8

ULPAN SALARIES

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — I attended an "Ulpan Course" at Nahariya and I agree with Miss Gunther that even though teachers may come from primary schools, teaching adults, mostly professional people, requires special pedagogical ability, and they are therefore entitled to higher salaries than primary school teachers. The work of an Ulpan teacher involves a great deal more responsibility as their pupils must complete the course in a short and limited amount of time... Classes are conducted throughout the entire day and not just for a few hours. Teachers and pupils live together, eat together and spend their Sabbaths together.

I am sure that Ulpan graduates all over the country will agree with me that the salaries of their instructors should be higher as their job is twice as valuable.

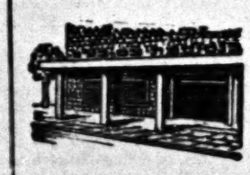
Yours, etc.,
MARIANNE MICHAELIS

Rishon le Zion, May 8.

Points From Letters

WAITING.—I suffer from diabetes and am in possession of the "Chet Aleph" ration book. Recently the Food Controller announced 24 additional eggs for persons with chronic diseases. So far not one single egg has been distributed. How much longer must we wait?
James Dreiblatt

Ramat Gan, May 3.



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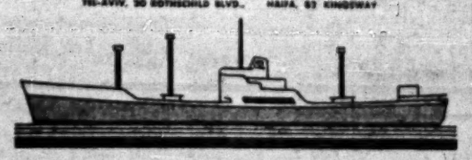

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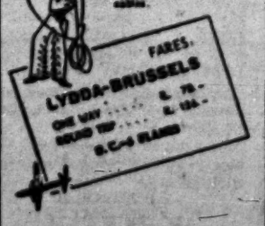

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Copies of the proposed special resolution may be inspected at the office of the company, address as above, during the usual business hours.

By order of the Board
SECRETARY.

May 9, 1951.